

STATEMENT BY LT. GOVERNOR JOHN GARAMENDI ON THE 5TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WAR IN IRAQ

Sacramento, Ca – Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi issued the following statement on the 5th anniversary of the Iraq War.

“Today marks the 5th anniversary of the Iraq War, a war which has to date cost over half a trillion dollars, nearly 4,000 American lives, over 40,000 American casualties, as well as thousands of Iraqi civilian casualties.

“While I have vehemently opposed this ill-conceived war from the onset, we must never fail to honor the courage and commitment of our men and women in uniform who are serving our country in harm’s way. We must do all we can in California, and our country, to insure that our returning veterans receive every benefit we can provide.

“I know that all of us join in a devoted wish that the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan draw to a speedy and constructive close.”

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